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**MINUTES  
FREMONT CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2006  
FREMONT CITY HALL  
7:00 P.M.**

**1. PRELIMINARY**

**1.1 Call to Order:** Mayor Wasserman called the meeting to order.

**1.2 Flag Salute:** Councilmember Dutra led the salute to the flag.

**1.3 Attendance:** Present: Mayor Wasserman, Vice Mayor Cho,  
Councilmembers: Dutra, Wieckowski, and Natarajan.

**1.4 Announcements by Mayor/City Manager - None**

**2. DISCUSSION ON NORTHERN PLAIN INITIATIVE AND ELECTIONS CODE  
SECTION 9212 REPORT**

Community Development Director Jill Keimach introduced staff. Associate Planner Scott Ruhland introduced the consultants. Joshua Channell (Impact Sciences) reviewed the Initiative description and background; provided a recap of the Initiative area boundary; and outlined the four development scenarios. Josh Phillips (Pacific Biology) provided an overview of the biological resources, wetlands and wildlife habitat. Alexander Quinn (Bay Area Economics) presented the fiscal evaluation of the Initiative. Mark Spencer (DKS Associates) provided an overview of the traffic evaluation analysis. Staff and consultants responded to questions from Councilmembers. Mayor Wasserman invited public comment. Robert Douglass (Cargill) inquired about the assessment district and asked why it was not addressed in the economic study. Billy Sandbrink (Fremont Chamber of Commerce) relayed the Chamber Board of Director's position on the Initiative which is in opposition. Greg Scott, Bill Spicer, and Jana Sokale spoke in favor of the Initiative. Elaine Szeto asked if the consultants considered the fact that two large biotech companies are leaving Fremont. There were no other speakers. Staff and the consultants responded to questions from Mr. Douglass and Councilmembers. No action was taken.

**3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Sandra Fragulia (Niles Merchants Association) asked Council to assist with sponsoring the Annual Festival of the Lights Parade that will be held on November 24, 2006.

**4. OTHER REPORTS**

**4.1 Report Out from Closed Session of Any Final Action - None**

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Wasserman adjourned the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Dawn G. Abrahamson, City Clerk

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BOB WASSERMAN, Mayor